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THIRTY YEARS AGO. (June 6, 1888.)

Chas. F. Tabor, who was convicted of first degree murder in the Cass county circuit court, sent a challenge to Judge Sloan, who presided at the trial, to fight a duel with pistols. The Judge did not accept the challenge.

The United States senate passed a bill reviving the rank of General in the army for the benefit of General Phil Sheridan.

A school teachers examination was being held at the west school building by W. W. Graves, county commissioner.

A meeting of the Butler school board was held and the following were elected for the next year: Principal of the High School, J. F. Starr; teachers, Misses Maggie Abell, Maggie Ewin, Alice Ludwick, Mary Kennett, Lillie Lamb, Jessie Holloway, Florence Page, Kate McClements, Margary Bowden, and Mrs. McDaniels. Prof. Kennolly was employed to teach the Douglass school.

Two rowdies were arrested at Rich Hill and fined \$25 and costs for heaving "hen fruit" at W. O. Atkeson, who was making a prohibition speech in the local option campaign in that city.

D. N. Thompson attended a meeting of the State Agricultural committee. He reported that a plan was discussed for an agricultural experiment station to be established in connection with the agricultural college at Columbia. The federal government had appropriated \$75,000 for that purpose. That was the commencement of the fine agricultural experiment station at Columbia that is doing so much for the farmers of the state.

The Keith & Perry mine, at Rich Hill, that has been shut down since the explosion in March has resumed operation. 23 men were killed and their widows and children had filed damage suits aggregating \$202,000 in the United States courts.

The following Butler Democrats attended the national Democratic convention at St. Louis: T. J. Smith, J. M. Tucker, Capt. Tygar, Judge DeArmond, Judge Parkinson, G. D. Arnold, John Trimble, J. A. Brashers, Col. J. A. Pace and daughter, Miss Ada, and P. C. Fulkerson.

J. G. Blaine was out with a letter to the New York Tribune declining the Republican nomination for the presidency.

Chintz bugs are reported as numerous in parts of the county.

The local option campaign in Vernon county resulted in a victory for the wets.

Circuit Court.

The Independent Harvester Co. vs. C. Hegnauer, report of referee: Order of reference renewed.

Edwin S. Marsten vs. John M. Caterlin, motion strike out: Continued.

Lena Kech vs. Fred Popp et al, partition: Decree as prayed.

Luther E. Hyer et al vs. Mathew Hallam et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

Herman Steiner vs. James H. Hood et al, quiet title: Final judgment as prayed.

Drainage District No. 1 Bates County, Mo. vs. Bates County, Mo., delinquent tax: Continued. Defendant granted to Sept. 1 to file brief.

Drainage District No. 1 Bates County, Mo. vs. Bates County, Mo., delinquent tax: Continued.

Drainage District No. 1 Bates County, Mo. vs. Bates County, Mo., contract: Continued.

State of Missouri ex rel J. H. Stone, County Treasurer vs. August Marquett et al, delinquent tax: Order publication.

State of Missouri ex rel J. H. Stone, County Treasurer vs. Robert Hay Boots, delinquent tax: Order publication.

Drainage District No. 1, Bates County, Mo. vs. R. N. Montgomery, drainage tax: Continued.

Drainage District No. 1, Bates County, Mo. vs. J. T. Harper et al, drainage tax: Continued.

Drainage District No. 1 Bates County, Mo. vs. H. W. Custer et al, drainage tax: Continued.

Drainage District No. 1, Bates County, Mo. vs. C. G. Lane et al, drainage tax: Continued.

A. J. King vs. John E. Mann et al, motion new trial: Appeal to Kansas City court of appeals.

Asa Harris vs. Maude Millikan, motion new trial: Appeal to Kansas City Court of Appeals.

Lottie Ashley vs. Harry Ashley, divorce: Decree as prayed. Defendant permitted to visit child twice each month. \$10 per month alimony. Motion for new trial.

C. Eugene Yarnell vs. Della Leone Yarnell, divorce: Decree as prayed.

Elmer Garner vs. Norah B. Garner, divorce: Dismissed for failure to comply with order of court.

Delia Hargrove vs. Ed. Lee Hargrove, divorce: Decree as prayed. Former name of Delia Goodwin restored to plaintiff.

Mary Lewis vs. Susan Martin et al, partition: Decree of partition and order of sale as prayed.

J. R. Hales appointed guardian ad litem for defendant Mary Perry. Answer filed.

James May et al vs. Floyd May et al, reform deed: Decree as prayed.

Charles M. Doane vs. Enlah O. Doane, divorce: Decree as prayed.

W. J. Chambers vs. Heirs of Patrick Talbot et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

J. C. Balgum et al vs. Nannie Puffer et al, partition: Ordered that J. C. Balgum's part of proceeds of sale be held by sheriff pending determination of suit of Mary Balgum for maintenance.

Minnie Seelinger et al vs. Heirs of Pleasant Young et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

Carl Lurst vs. Delia M. Kennedy et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

W. S. Gause vs. James McHenry et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

T. W. Hampton vs. Heirs of Jemima Spearman et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

Winona Neptune, by next friend C. E. Anderson vs. Sidney Neptune, divorce: Plaintiff dismisses.

Otis Andrews vs. John Burnett et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

C. W. Boswell vs. Amy Boswell, divorce: Trial by court.

Clement C. Goodin vs. Ida Webb et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

Elias C. Harper vs. Fannie V. Hovey et al, quiet title: Defendant John T. Bentley enters appearance and consents to trial.

W. C. Parsons et al vs. Heirs of Abiel Leonard et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

E. H. Earsom et al vs. Eliza A. Smallwood et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

Charles H. Blevins vs. John Steiner et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

R. E. Nelson vs. John W. Tate et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

Kate Ota Mathews vs. Chas. Kinser Mathews, divorce: Proof of publication filed.

George N. Woods vs. Nancy Frost et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

Susan McCuan vs. Florence Alice Palmer et al, partition: Decree vesting title in plaintiff and divesting defendants of any title.

Emma Brannon vs. Harrier E. Brannon et al, quiet title: Reset for Saturday, June 1.

Rud C. Hinson vs. John N. McNeil et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

R. J. Hollister vs. Heirs of Joseph Smith et al, quiet title: Decree as prayed.

James F. McDaniel et al vs. Lillian V. Cecil et al, quiet title: Proof of publication filed.

Arthur Higley et al vs. John B. Gilbert et al, quiet title: Leave to file answer on or before August 1, 1918.

N. E. Wilson vs. Jonathan Brown et al, quiet title: Proof publication.

Berty McGinty vs. Julius McGinty, divorce: Decree as prayed.

State vs. Elmer Simpson and W. H. Simpson, suit on bond: Mandate Kansas City court of appeals filed. Reversed and remanded.

Sarah M. Dickinson vs. W. H. Vail, suit on note: Judgment affirmed by Kansas City Court of Appeals.

State of Missouri vs. Lester Lyons, local option: Cause dismissed.

State of Missouri vs. Ed North, local option: Continued on application of defendant.

State of Missouri vs. Wm. Anderson, local option: Cause dismissed.

State of Missouri vs. Robert Smith, local option: Defendant pleads guilty to second count; sentenced to 30 days from March 30, 1918.

State of Missouri vs. William Wells, grand larceny: Plea of guilty to 2nd count. Sentenced to two years in reform school.

State of Missouri vs. Chas. Weiss, misdemeanor: State dismisses.

August Bern vs. William August Friedrich Bern, set aside with: Reset for Wednesday, June 5.

D. W. Scott vs. John Ward, replevin: Verdict for plaintiff. Motion for new trial.

L. E. Lines Music Co. vs. Clyde Book, mortgage: Continued.

C. H. Clouse vs. K. C. S. Ry. Co., damage: Continued.

Sarah Elizabeth Davis vs. The Eureka Coal Mining & Mercantile Co., damage: Verdict for plaintiff in sum of \$5,000.00. Defendant files motion for new trial. Motion in arrest.

Anna Shuvert, Guardian vs. J. H. Strait, note: Continued.

J. R. Wyatt vs. Jared Griggs, note: Continued on application of defendant.

J. R. Wyatt vs. Walter P. Dean et al, note: Continued at application of defendant.

The Bishop Press Co. vs. E. G. Ward, motion new trial: Motion new trial overruled.

H. T. Smith vs. L. Bartlett, damage: Dismissed.

E. D. Gray vs. Hume Commercial Bank et al, bond: Finding for plaintiff. Defendant files motion for new trial.

Charles C. Stine vs. T. A. O'Dea, damage: Continued to October term.

Wilson Chemical Co. vs. H. K. West, Appeal from J. P.: Plaintiff files motion to affirm judgment.

Dismissed.

B. A. Kisner vs. Almira Kisner, divorce: Decree as prayed. Former name of Almira Adams restored defendant.

Mary F. Balgum vs. J. C. Balgum, affidavit in attachment.

In the matter of death of Thos. J. Smith: Judge C. A. Denton, T. W. Silvers, W. O. Jackson.

Ida M. Perry vs. Constance Allenbaugh et al: \$1500 held in lieu of homestead ordered invested in U. S. Bonds at 4 1-4 per cent. J. R. Hales appointed trustee.

State of Missouri vs. Dave Clark, larceny: Information filed.

Death of A. L. Wix.

Abner Levy Wix died at his home near Pleasant Gap on Monday morning, May 27, 1918, after a lingering illness from cancer of the stomach. He submitted to a surgical operation in a Kansas City hospital about three weeks before his death, but the disease was so far advanced that no relief was obtained and after much bodily suffering he passed away, surrounded by his family and many friends. Mr. Wix was born on the old Wix homestead, near where he died, on June 18, 1855, the son of the prominent pioneer families of Bates county. His father was Judge Joseph Wix and his mother, Sallie Beaty Wix, both of whom now rest with their son in the Myers' cemetery in Hudson township. Mr. Wix leaves to mourn his death six brothers and two sisters, viz: Clark, Lewis, Joseph E., Ben, B. M., Seth, and Mrs. Minnie Holloway, all of Bates county, and Thos. H. of Yates Center, Kan., and Mrs. Fannie Ferrington, of Garfield, Ark. Mr. Wix was first married to Mary Ellis, and to this union three children were born, only one of whom is now living, Mrs. A. Wix, who was a most faithful son during his father's sickness. After his first wife's death, Mr. Wix was again married to Miss Clemmie Wilson, of Vernon county, and to this union six girls were born, all living, viz: Mrs. Mary Terrell, Mrs. Rosa Baker and Mrs. Nellie Baker, all living on farms near their parents, and the Misses Anna, Lena and Sallie, who are living at home. All that a devoted wife, dutiful children, kind neighbors and skilled surgeons could possibly do to alleviate his suffering and prolong his life was done and many times Lee (as he was known by his friends) expressed his appreciation, but told them if it was God's will he was ready to die.

The writer of this brief obituary had known Lee Wix for nearly 40 years and can sincerely attest to his true Christian character. He may have been eccentric in trivial things, but measured by the Bible standard of feeding the hungry, clothing the naked and administering unto the sick, his life proves his great worth as a citizen and a Christian, husband, father and neighbor.

A beautiful funeral service was conducted by Elder Maxey, of Butler, and attended by a very large crowd of relatives and friends and the body now lies beside that of his first wife and children not far from the old farm where he grew to manhood. Not many days before his death when talking about the future he said to a friend: "I have tried hard to live up to my opportunities and believe I have been fairly successful." What a splendid old world this would be if everyone would "live up to his opportunities."

Geo. B. Ellis.

M. K. & T. Railway Takes Counter Appeal.

On last Friday afternoon J. W. Miller, assistant general attorney and C. S. Sherwin land tax commissioner of the Katy railroad, appeared before Justice B. F. Jeter and filed counter appeals in the four condemnation suits pending in his court. The object of this step was to have a legal right to enter said land and make the necessary improvements without the usual court delay. The company in order to perfect their rights deposited with Justice Jeter the sum of \$14,853.50, being the total amount of the award made by the commissioners for all the land in controversy.

The case will now be docketed for the October term of Circuit Court and Justice Jeter will hold the money until the cases are settled. The matter may be held up for some time and possibly may be taken to the supreme court which will mean from one to two years before final disposition.

MALADY IN SPAIN CAME FROM DISEASE GERMS THAT U-BOAT RELEASED

120,000 Persons in Madrid Alone Are Ill, Including King and Two Ministers.

Madrid, May 30.—German sailors from the interned submarine U-39 are charged with releasing disease germs which caused the epidemic now sweeping the country. The poorer classes are deeply enraged at the Germans, whom they hold responsible for the pestilence. However, if the Germans were responsible they fell victims to their own actions, for all of the sailors on the U-39 are ill at Cartagena.

There are 120,000 persons affected in Madrid alone, including the king and Ministers Dato and Alba.

It was stated at the palace that King Alfonso is showing no improvement.

The malady is affecting live stock and thousands of cavalry horses have fallen victims to the plague.

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Arrested on a Serious Charge.

Ernest Finkle, of Adrian, was arrested Friday morning by Sheriff Baker, and brought to Butler to answer to a charge of seduction. He waived his preliminary examination and was placed in jail to await the action of the circuit court. The case will probably be called for trial at the present term, as the docket is very light.

NEVER BEFORE WAS A DAILY NEWSPAPER MORE NECESSARY

BOYS FROM HOME ARE FIGHTING ON EUROPEAN FIELDS

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